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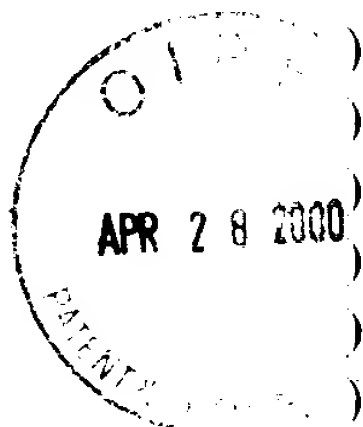
In re Patent Application of

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For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING  
NOVEL DNA SEQUENCE WITH  
BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY



) Group Art Unit: 1632

) Examiner: J. Brusca

**REPLY TO EXAMINER INTERVIEW**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to further examination on the merits, please consider the following remarks  
pursuant to the Examiner interview held on April 14, 2000:

**REMARKS**

Applicants are grateful to the Examiner again for his careful consideration of all the  
issues as reflected in the interview granted on April 14, 2000. To complete the record,  
Applicants would like to respond to the points raised by the Examiner at the interview.  
At the outset, however, Applicants note that the evidence presented herein and over the course  
of prosecution of this application leaves only one of two options:

- (1) The first option is that Pieczenik be removed from the present analysis and an